

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 1425 - SB 1629**

March 6, 2014

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes any board under the Division of Health Related Boards, the Emergency Medical Services Board, and the Board of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselors to accept license applications and renewals electronically. Requires the Department of Health's annual health care facility and pharmacy survey inspection reports be available to the general public.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures \$795,000/FY14-15/Health Related Boards  
\$50,000/FY15-16 and Subsequent Years/  
Health Related Boards**

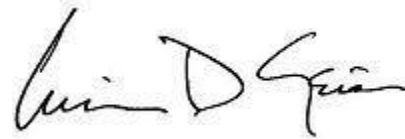
**According to the Department of Finance and Administration, expenditures in the amount of \$745,000 one-time and \$50,000 recurring are included in the Governor's proposed FY14-15 budget.**

**Assumptions:**

- According to the Department of Health (DOH), assuming all applicable boards will allow licensees to fill out applications and renew electronically, there will be a cost to the state.
- According to a current estimate from the licensing vendor, there would be a one-time cost of \$745,000 to add the modules for each board that will allow for online application submittal and a recurring annual cost of \$50,000 for system maintenance.
- According to the Department of Finance and Administration, this one-time cost and recurring cost are included in the Governor's FY14-15 recommended budget.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-29-121, all health related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. The Division of Health Related Boards had cumulative closing balances of \$4,321,179 in FY11-12, \$5,395,445 in FY12-13, and a closing reserve balance of \$20,576,607 on June 30, 2013.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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